

## Message Text

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SUBJECT: STATUS REPORT OF STANSAAB'S NEGOTIATIONS FOR SALE  
OF AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL EQUIPMENT TO THE SOVIET UNION

REF: MOSCOW 4408

1. ALTHOUGH WE HAVE CONFLICTING INFORMATION, STANSAAB APPEARS NOT TO HAVE SIGNED FINAL CONTRACT WITH SOVIETS. AGREEMENT APPARENTLY HAS BEEN REACHED IN PRINCIPLE AND PERHAPS SOME PRELIMINARY CONTRACTS HAVE BEEN SIGNED, ACCORDING TO SOURCES IN BUSINESS AND MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY. PRESS OF APRIL 22 SPECULATES THAT MINISTER OF INDUSTRY RUNE JOHANSSON WILL BE DISCUSSING THIS CONTRACT DURING HIS VISIT TO SOVIET UNION TO SIGN A TEN-YEAR AGREEMENT ON ECONOMIC, TECHNOLOGICAL AND SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION.

2. WHETHER BECAUSE STANSAAB IS 50 PERCENT-OWNED BY THE GOVERNMENT OR NOT, BUSINESS CONTRACTS IN RESPONSE TO EMBASSY INQUIRIES HAVE NOT BEEN FORTHCOMING. INDICATING THAT NEGOTIATIONS MAY BE RUNNING INTO DIFFICULTIES IS A STATEMENT BY A MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY SOURCE TO EMBASSY OFFICER THAT GOS RECEIVED INFORMAL COMPLAINTS FROM A SOVIET OFFICIAL ASKING WHY THE SWEDES HAD TO DEPEND ON USG EXPORT LICENSE DECISION TO CONSUMATE CONTRACT. ALSO, THOMPSON OF FRANCE REPORTEDLY IS STILL PRESSING FOR CONTRACT AND IS SAID TO HAVE SUGGESTED TO STANSAAB THAT THEY WORK TOGETHER.  
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